

Flower

Materials:

Felt: Two flowers cut using the template below
Stranded embroidery cotton (two or three colours)
Cotton wool (for stuffing)

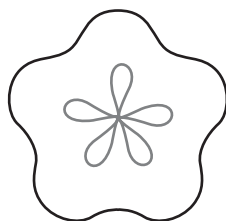
Tools:

Basic toolkit (see page 6)

Instructions:

- 1 With two strands of cotton, embroider a flower onto the right side of one piece of felt using lazy daisy stitch.
- 2 Again with two strands of thread, work French or colonial knots at the flower centre.
- 3 Cut out the two flower shapes (the embroidered flower plus one plain) – these will be the front and back of the button.
- 4 Place the two pieces of felt together (wrong sides facing each other) and work blanket stitch around the edges to join the two. Use two strands of thread. Work one longer stitch between each petal and keep the stitches quite close together.
- 5 Before the two pieces are fully stitched together, add a little bit of stuffing. Use a stick to ease stuffing into the petals. Close the gap with more blanket stitches.
- 6 Finish as required.

The flower template.



The finished button.



This project is taken from *20 to Stitch Fabric Buttons* by Gina Barrett

